

HOG GUESSERS GO INTO TRAINING.

Ancient Sport to Be Revived on Long Island This Winter.

PEOPLE CRAZED OVER IT

Former Events Were "Fakes," as a "Friend" Always Guessed Right.

The ancient sport of hog guessing has been revived on Long Island. For many years there have been very few such contests there. The amusement was not considered fashionable, and the farmers dropped it.

A large number of matches have been arranged for Christmas Day and New Year's, and the respective promises to become a perfect guess. Farmers everywhere are going into training for the "guessings" by estimating the weight of their own pigs and those of their neighbors. On the day of the contest, the farmer stands at a very much better price than would have been given to him by the butcher.

Many thrifty agriculturists charge so much for their hogs that they are a quantity of tickets are sold at, say, twenty-five cents each, and each ticket entitles the holder to a chance. The man whose guess is most nearly correct wins the pig. On balancing his accounts, the farmer finds that he has practically sold his pork at a very much better price than would have been given to him by the butcher.

What killed the sport in former years was the fact that the farmer invariably weighed the pig on the night before the "guessing," and then saw to it that some one of his friends won it, by writing down the exact weight on his ticket. When it was noticed that the hog always went to the farmer's most intimate friend, and that when it was divided most of the meat went back to the farmer, the residents of Long Island, though they thought they were, began to grow suspicious, and hog-guessing tickets were as hard to sell as "green goods."

It is not known how the players of the game are going to protect themselves against corruption this year. It may be that the level of honesty has risen on Long Island, or it may be that the farmers believe their old dishonest practices have been forgotten. It is not plain why hog-guessing stands more chance of being more honest this year than it was last.

But the guessing boom has set in, and the pigs are being fattened up. There are many tricks in feeding a porker. Some of the farmers are able to place the fat upon them in such a way that it is very deceptive and does not show. A few hog-guessers have attained such proficiency in guessing that they can come within a few pounds of the actual weight. These for the most part are butchers. In some cases, guessers of high ability are handicapped—that is, they have to guess five or six pounds heavier or lighter than the average man can do their non-handicapped competitors.

SAYS A GIRL HYPNOTIZED HER MISSING DAUGHTER.

Mrs. Mattson, of Jersey City, Accuses Miss Stahl of Luring the Girl Away.

Seventeen-year-old Louise Mattson, of No. 109 York street, Jersey City, has been missing from her home since December 9, and her mother, Mrs. Clara Mattson, who has placed the case in the hands of the police, declares she believes the girl's disappearance due to the hypnotic influence of Louise Stahl, of No. 109 York street. Miss Stahl laughs at the idea of her hypnotizing any one. She declares the last she saw of the Mattson girl was on Saturday last, and that to her Louise made no declaration of leaving home.

Mrs. Mattson said that Miss Stahl had told her daughter she was to receive a legacy of \$40,000 from the estate of an uncle and that when she did she would take her as a companion.

CASE AGAINST "BARLEY KING'S" WIFE DISMISSED.

Mrs. O'Neil, of Chicago, Is Now Free to Sail from Canada to Europe with Her Luggage.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—The O'Neil case is settled as far as the Canadian prosecution and the civil suits entered against her go. The wife of the barley king and her daughter may go to Europe to-morrow if they wish and take all their seven trunks with them. A representative of Marshall, Field & Co., of Chicago, met at the principal creditors, has been here for some days, and it appears that that firm, as well as other creditors, were getting tired of the expenses of the case and that having apparently become sure that Mr. O'Neil will be in a position to meet all his and his wife's obligations decided to drop the case.

CLEVELAND CONFINED TO HOUSE BY RHEUMATISM.

Ex-President Suffering from a Slight Attack Contracted While Duck Shooting.

Princeton, Dec. 16.—Ex-President Grover Cleveland is confined to his home with a slight attack of rheumatism supposed to have been contracted on his recent duck shooting trip. He returned from a visit to New York this afternoon and since then has not been out of his Bayard avenue home.

Dr. J. H. Wilcox, the ex-President's town physician, laid to-night that Mr. Cleveland is afflicted in the left foot with inflammatory rheumatism, but will soon be about again.

FEUD BREAKS OUT AGAIN.

Members of the Philpot-Griffin Faction Fight in Kentucky.

London, Ky., Dec. 16.—The Philpot-Griffin feud, has it is reported, broken out afresh near Georgetown, Clay County. Sam and James Philpot and others, on one side, and Ed. Rogers, Henry Hampton and others, on the other, met on the highway and engaged in a pistol fight.

Rogers fell at the first volley. One of the Philpot faction is reported to have been seriously wounded.

"AUTO" PERMIT TO BUZZY.

Man Who Tested Clausen's Ruling May Now Go Into the Park.

Winslow E. Buzby, of No. 223 East Seventeenth street, yesterday received a permit from Commissioner George C. Clausen to enter Central Park in an electric automobile.

Mr. Buzby was the first to try to enter the Park in an automobile in order to test Clausen's order that no automobiles should be admitted. He said Friday that there was discrimination against him as he had had an application on file for two years.

This permit is the first to be issued since Jefferson Sellmann's and Isaac L. Rice's were revoked.

Killed by Falling Chimney. Baltimore, Dec. 16.—Michael Zinner, a tinsmith, was fatally killed this morning by a mass of falling masonry from a chimney at the corner of Baltimore and Euter streets. The bricks and mortar had been loosened by an explosion of gas.



The Attractions of Our Stores are Their Low Prices.

Macy's

R.H. Macy and Co.
Both sides of 14th St. (running from 13th. to 15th Sts.) on Sixth Ave.

WE GIVE CREDIT OR DISCOUNT TO NO ONE—A SAVING THAT ENABLES US TO UNDERSELL ALL OTHER HOUSES



Toy Department.

Our Toy Department is in full blast all the year round. We don't gather a limited lot just for the holiday flurry—as many other stores do. Our stock is constantly brilliant and diversified, and prices are often half what others charge. Notice reductions on beautiful and rare mechanical toys.

Darkey Playing Banjo, was \$12.49; now \$8.49.
Girl Feeding Kitten, was \$14.98; now \$7.98.
Darkey Feeding Monkey, was \$12.49; now \$9.98.
Darkey Cake Walker, was \$24.98; now \$7.49.
Girl Riding Donkey, was \$14.98; now \$7.49.
Wonderful Acrobat, was \$34.98; now \$19.98.

We mention only a few—there are many others priced the same way.

Women's and Children's Furs.

No use waiting until the season wanes. Right now—on the threshold of winter—we offer elegant furs at prices that are usually current on the eve of Jack Frost's departure. The advantage of early economies appeals to quick-witted buyers. Choose furs this week and you'll be prepared for the snow siege when it does start and save money as well.

Women's Electric Seal Neck Scarfs, cluster style, trimmed with six tails, \$3.74.
Women's Alaska Sable Neck Scarfs, trimmed with eight tails and two heads, \$4.67.

Women's Alaska Sable Neck Scarfs, very full, finished with eight sable tails, \$11.34.

Women's Stone Marten Neck Scarfs, selected skins, eight tails and natural claws, \$17.99.

Women's Electric Seal Coats, double breasted, full revers, high collar, lined with Skinner's satin, \$39.99.

Children's White Lamb's Wool Sets, fancy muff, \$1.34.

Children's Electric Chinchilla Sets, fancy muff, \$1.84.

Children's White Lamb's Wool Sets, trimmed with angora, \$2.67.

Children's Imitation Stone Marten Sets, flat muffs, \$2.49.

Children's Imitation Krimmer Sets, fancy muffs, \$2.82.

Misses' Brook Mink Sets, round muffs, \$3.44.

Fine Rugs.

If worthy Rugs at rates unmistakably low are potent, there'll be an enthusiastic call for these goods. They came to us under exceptionally favorable conditions. Instead of taking all the gain ourselves we share it liberally with you. For example:

Bokhara Rugs, beautiful modern and antique effects, sizes 3 ft. x 4 ft. to 3 ft. x 6 ft., sold regularly from \$20.00 to \$40.00; our prices \$13.99 to \$28.49.

Carabagh, Daghestan and Shirvan, average size 3 1/2 ft. x 5 1/2 ft., sold regularly at \$15.00, \$12.00 and \$9.00; our prices \$10.53, \$8.41 and \$6.99.

Anatolian, Mossula and Carabagh Rugs, average size 4 ft. x 8 ft., sold regularly at \$30.00 and \$25.00; our prices \$24.49 and \$19.98.

Carpet Rugs, made of Tapestry, Velvet, Body Brussels and Axminster remnants.

Axminster, \$9.75—size 6 ft. x 9 ft.
Tapestry, \$11.03—size 8 1/2 ft. x 10 ft.
Velvet, \$24.29—size 10 1/2 ft. x 12 1/2 ft.

Harness Dept.—in Annex.

If you know anything concerning such matters you are doubtless familiar with the completeness and price attractiveness of our stock.

In addition to a great variety of the best Harness, we show everything included under the general term "Horse Goods." There are scores of articles that harmonize nicely with the gift idea. For instance, any of the following will satisfy the sentiment of the times:

Driving Whips, solid whalebone, with ebony and leather-covered handles, trimmed with silver and gold, \$3.44, \$3.74 and \$4.17.

Driving Whips, solid whalebone, handles covered with lizard, snake and alligator skin, trimmed with silver and gold, \$5.21 to \$11.67.

Women's Riding Whips, solid whalebone, ivory handles, trimmed with silver and gold, \$3.13 to \$9.99.

Dashboard Clock Cases and Rein Holders, pigskin or patent leather, \$3.96 to \$5.21.

Upholsteries.

White Nottingham Lace Curtains, extra fine grades, Renaissance Irish Point and Brussels lace patterns, regular \$3.25 to \$5.50 quality; our price \$2.49 to \$4.24.

White Irish Point Lace Curtains, regular \$5.50 quality; our price \$4.74.

Eccu Irish Point Lace Bed Sets, finest quality net, regular \$10.00 and \$20.00 quality; our price \$10.98 and \$24.99.

Renaissance Lace Bed Sets, wide range of handsome designs, \$33.99, \$31.24 and \$24.74.

Armure Tapestry Portieres, rich solid colorings, top and bottom heavily fringed, regular \$5.00 quality; our price per pair \$3.48.

Damask Tapestry Portieres, top and bottom heavily fringed, regular \$12.00 quality; our price per pair \$9.74.

French Jute Velour Portieres, regular \$32.00 quality; our price per pair \$18.74.

Musical Instruments.

The Straus Piano, specially constructed for our trade, choice of mahogany, walnut and rosewood, \$123.68.

Piano Stools, ranging up from \$1.87.

Mandolins, \$5.99, \$3.34, \$2.99, \$1.49.

Banjoes, \$7.99, \$6.44, \$5.21.

Graphophones, \$17.99, \$7.49 and \$4.81.

Music Rolls, \$1.49, 99c., 74c. and 42c.

Our Prices Are Always Very Much Lower Than Elsewhere, and at No Time Is the Difference So Pronounced as During the Holidays.

Handkerchiefs for Everybody.

We've been so busy selling Handkerchiefs there has been no time to arrange a display of them. You seem to know where the best bargains are to be had. That accounts for the stupendous trade at our counters. Fluttering decorations do not compensate for exorbitant prices. You don't notice the absence of SHOW—money-saving absorbs your thought. The bulk of our Handkerchief stock came from our own factory at Belfast. No other store can claim such a source of supply. It kills the middleman's profit and guarantees you the largest value for your money.

Over sixty distinct kinds of Men's All-linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, half dozen in box, 72c., \$1.19 and \$2.49.

Women's Fine Embroidered All-linen Handkerchiefs, 24c., 47c., 69c., 99c., and so on by easy rises up to \$2.09.

Women's Fancy Embroidered Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, half dozen in box, 54c., 82c. and \$1.07 per box.

Women's All-linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, half dozen in box, 57c., 82c. and \$1.13 per box.

Women's All-linen Handkerchiefs, nicely embroidered initials, half dozen in box, \$1.24.

Mackintoshes.

Misses' Mackintoshes, double texture cashmere finish, single cape, velvet collar, all sizes, \$1.59.

Misses' Mackintoshes, double-texture wool cashmere, double cape, velvet collar, all sizes, \$2.39.

Women's Mackintoshes, double-texture, two capes, velvet collar, all sizes, \$2.99.

Women's Mackintoshes, double-texture wool cashmere, double-breasted cape, very full velvet collar, \$3.99.

Women's Mackintoshes, double-texture wool cashmere, silk lined, two capes, velvet collar, \$5.49.

Women's Mackintoshes, double-texture wool cashmere, double-breasted, very full velvet collar, \$5.99.

Tea Gowns.

Women's Cashmere Tea Gowns; round yoke made of lace inserting and ribbon, finished with ribbon-trimmed ruffle, \$3.99.

Women's Cashmere Tea Gowns, made with revers trimmed with lace inserting and velvet ribbon \$4.99.

Women's Cashmere Tea Gowns, made with square yoke, trimmed around with accordion plaiting, \$5.32.

Women's Cashmere Tea Gowns, made with stylish revers, daintily trimmed with lace inserting and ribbon ruffle, \$6.49.

Women's Cashmere Tea Gowns, tucked sailor collar trimmed with wide velvet ribbon and lace inserting, \$8.44.

Women's Imported Hand-Made French Underwear

Fine, beautiful fabrics, of course. Dainty trimmings—for they were made in France. We had them sent over for the Christmas throngs. They arrived late. Our prices for these lovely hand-made garments are no higher than others charge for the kinds that come from our American factories.

Corset Covers, made of English nainsook, French style trimmed with two rows of Valenciennes lace insertings, lace ruffle and ribbon, \$1.49.

Corset Covers, made of English nainsook, French style, trimmed with Valenciennes lace inserting, fine beading, hand feather-stitching and ribbon, \$2.49.

Corset Covers, made of English nainsook, French style, trimmed with two rows of Valenciennes lace insertings, lace beading, hand feather-stitching and ribbon, \$2.69.

Drawers, made of long cloth, finished with feather-stitching, lace-edged nainsook ruffle, 99c.

Drawers, made of long cloth, finished with tucked lace inserting and feather-stitching, lace-edged nainsook ruffle, \$2.74.

Drawers, made of long cloth, trimmed with fine ribbon beading and embroidered ruffle, \$4.34.

Night Gowns, made of long cloth, finished with nainsook ruffle, trimmed with Valenciennes lace edging and ribbon beading, \$2.79.

Night Gowns, made of long cloth, trimmed with fine tucks, collar of Valenciennes lace inserting, lace ruffle, \$3.79.

Night Gowns, made of English nainsook, collar of fine hand embroidery, lace ruffle, \$8.74.

Walking Skirts, made of lawn, finished with wide lawn ruffle, lace insertings, lace edging and lace edged dust ruffle, \$5.49.

Walking Skirts, made of lawn, finished with wide lawn ruffle, three rows of lace insertings, wide lace edging, and two lace-edged under ruffles, \$7.99.

Walking Skirts, made of lawn, finished with wide lawn pointed ruffle, fancy lace inserting; lace ruffle, and two lace-edged under ruffles, \$12.99.

Smoking Jackets.

Men's House Coats, made of soft-finished checked materials, warm and comfortable, regular \$4 quality; our price \$2.98.

Men's House Coats, made of tricoot, staple shades, satin-faced cuffs and pockets, quilted linings, regular \$6.50 quality; our price \$4.34.

Men's House Coats, made of fine English reversible fabrics, fancy plaids, collars, cuffs and pockets, regular \$10 quality; our price \$7.19.

Men's House Coats, made of fine silk matelasse, trimmed with silk and cord, silk lined, regular \$15 quality; our price \$11.99.

Men's Double-breasted Fancy Vests, made of fine worsted fabrics, neat patterns, regular \$3.75 quality; our price \$2.74.

Men's Rain-proof Box Coats, Oxford and brown shades, Raglan sleeves, stylish garments that are guaranteed to shed water, regular \$23.00 quality; our price \$22.47.

Women's Petticoats.

Women's Petticoats, made of colored satin, finished with umbrella-shaped ruffle and three small ruffles, 99c.

Women's Petticoats, made of colored Mercerized sateen finished with umbrella-shaped ruffle and three small ruffles, \$1.39.

Women's Petticoats, made of colored and black silk moire, finished with umbrella shaped ruffle and wide ruffle, \$3.74.

Women's Petticoats, made of black taffeta silk, trimmed with umbrella-shaped ruffle, and five corded ruffles, \$6.99.

Women's Petticoats, made of colored taffeta silk, finished with wide graduated accordion-plated flounce, lace inserting running through centre and corded ruffle on bottom, \$16.21.

Women's Bath Robes.

Women's Bath Robes, made of wool eiderdown, large collar, bound with satin ribbon, finished with worsted girdle, \$2.99.

Women's Bath Robes, made of ripple eiderdown, large collar, front and collar bound with ribbon, \$4.74.

Women's Bath Robes, made of ripple eiderdown, front scalloped edged, bound with satin, \$6.61.

Women's Silk Waists.

Women's Waists, made of handsome taffeta, tucked back and front, dress sleeves, flare cuffs, \$5.74.

Women's Waists, made of taffeta, sleeves, back and front neatly corded, \$5.99.

Women's Waists, made of fancy striped satin, tucked back and front, regular \$10.00 quality; our price \$6.99.

Furniture—in Annex.

The variety of Furniture we show and the remarkably low prices are interesting to Holiday buyers. Here's a bare outline—a quick sketch of what you may expect to find. The details are exceedingly meagre, but the values are immense. The best workmanship and the most appropriate woods.

Gilt Chairs, forty styles, \$1.99 to \$64.99.

Martin Vernis Tables, twenty styles, \$3.99 to \$19.99.

Solid Mahogany Inlaid Tables, \$11.74 to \$99.99.

Work Tables, thirty styles, \$7.74 to \$37.49.

Music Cabinets, twenty styles, \$8.24 to \$40.38.

Parlor Cabinets, forty styles, \$23.49 to \$249.74.

Library Tables, eighteen styles, \$5.99 to \$99.99.

Combination Bookcases, thirty styles, \$11.49 to \$51.74.

Women's Desks, forty styles, \$2.34 to \$54.99.

Shaving Stands, twenty styles, \$8.99 to \$22.67.

Morris Chairs, forty styles, \$2.49 to \$74.99.

Fancy Rockers, one hundred styles, \$2.99 to \$22.49.

Hall Chairs, thirty styles, \$3.67 to \$31.49.

Tabourettes, twenty styles, \$1.61 to \$23.99.

Pottery and Bric-a-Brac.

Our collection of these goods represents carefully and judiciously selected specimens from every old-world pottery of note. We show many articles of rare artistic value, of which there are no duplicates.

Royal Bonn Vases, \$3.43, \$4.67, \$8.45, \$9.87. Teplitz figures, \$1.97, \$3.89, \$6.89, \$11.87, and so on by slight, easy rises up to \$79.41 per pair.

Fancy Vases, embellished with rich classical painting—direct from our own Rudolstadt atelier passed on to you without the middleman's profit to bulge the price—\$4.87, \$9.87, \$12.87, up to \$249.99 per pair.

Straus Cut Glass.

None is richer. It won first prize at the World's Fair. Factory on the premises. You are invited to go through it. Apply at Superintendent's desk for a pass.

Fruit and Salad Bowls, three graceful shapes, deep cuttings all over, sold elsewhere at \$7.50; our prices, \$3.97 and \$3.49.

Celery Trays, latest shapes and finest cuttings, \$2.87, \$3.49, \$4.47 up to \$14.37.

Cranberry Bowls, showy chrysanthemum design, \$3.98, \$5.97, \$6.47 up to \$23.41.

Fruit Nappies, seven inches in diameter, fancy cuttings, others charge \$5.00; our price, \$2.97.

Fruit and Salad Bowls, large size, various shapes, graceful patterns and brilliant cuttings, others charge \$5.00; our price, \$3.47.

Celery Trays, dainty shell shapes, rich cuttings, others charge \$6.50; our price, \$4.87.

Table Tumblers, diamond and fan patterns, others charge per doz., \$3.00; our price, \$1.97.

Punch Bowls, largest assortment and most exquisite styles ever shown, \$24.66 up to \$143.61.

Bohemian Glass.

A superb line of Flower Vases in all the desirable new Bohemian colors, among which are the new tall Tulip-shaped crimped Edge Vases for long-stemmed cut flowers. These are the goods shown in all prominent florists, but we have them in greater variety, and, it is needless to say, at half the price.

Punch Sets, including covered bowl, ladle and twelve glasses on tray, \$5.47 to \$28.91.

Kimmel Sets, including bottle and six glasses on tray, 69c to \$2.43.

Lemonade Sets, including pitcher and six tumblers on tray, 87c. to \$3.87.

Champagne Sets, including tankard and six glasses on tray, \$3.81 to \$5.87.

An attractive exhibit of Flagon, Pokale, Drinking Cups and Rhine Wine Glasses, with quaint German inscriptions, fragments of Teutonic legends and folklore, noble emblems and escutcheons.

Decorated China.

Our well-known and unequalled facilities have won successes for us so continuously that you've come to consider us leaders in China selling, as a matter of fact, of course. Such distinction has not made us careless. We're